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FROM PRODUCERS, IMPORTERS AND CONSUMERS ON THE COST OF THE
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2. THE ORIGINAL INTENT OF HR. 5052, A BILL TO LOWER TARIFFS
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3. THE ADMINISTRATION POSITION REGARDING HR. 5052, AS AMENDED, AND/OR THE POSSIBLE AMENDMENT OF THE MEAT IMPORT LAW OF 1964 BY INCLUDING A COUNTER-CYCLICAL AMENDMENT IS STILL EVOLVING. WE WILL CABLE YOU ONCE THIS ELEMENT IS CLEAR. CHRISTOPHER

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